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1. BEGIN SUMMARY: THE FOREIGN MINISTORS OF THE EC-9 MEETING
LUXEMBOURG ON FEBRUARY 23, ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION
ON ANGOLA AND SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE TEXT WAS MADE PUBLIC
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FOLLOWING THE MEETING. DETAILS OF THE MEETING WILL BE
REPORT OF SEPTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXT. THE MINISTERS FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE NINE
COUNTRIES OF THE COMMUNITY MEETING IN LUXEMBOURG AND
RECALLING THE DECISIONS WHICH THEY HAVE ADOPTED WITH
REGARD TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, EXAMINED
THE PROBLEMS ARISING IN THAT AREA OF AFRICA.

3. IT IS WITH GREAT ATTENTION AND CONSIDERABLE
CONCERN THAT THE MINISTERS HAVE FOLLOWED EVENTS IN ANGOLA
WHICH HAVE RESULTED IN GREAT SUFFERING, LOSS OF MANY
HUMAN LIVES AND SERIOUS DAMAGE TO THE ECONOMY. THEY CALL
FOR THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PEACEFUL SITUATION
NECESSARY FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF ANGOLA.

4. THE MINISTERS FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS CONSIDER THAT IT
IS FOR THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE TO SETTLE ITS OWN DESTINY.
IN THIS CONNECTION, THEY EXPRESSED GREAT REGARD FOR THE
EFFORTS MADE BY THE OAU TO FIND AN AFRICAN SOLUTION TO
THE DIFFICULTIES, AND ESCHEWED ANYTHING WHICH MIGHT
INTERFERE WITH A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME. THEY CONDEMNED ALL
EXTERNAL MILITARY INTERVENTION AND EXPRESSED THE FIRM HOPE
THAT THIS WOULD SOON BE BROUGHT TO AN END. IN THE INTERESTS
OF THE PROSPERITY OF THE REGION THEY HOPED THAT PEACEFUL
AND CONSTRUCTIVE CO-OPERATION WOULD BE ESTABLISHED,
PRESUPPOSING FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE AFRICAN STATES
INVOLVED.

5. THE MINISTERS CONFIRMED THE BASIC POSITION OF THE NINE
MEMBER STATES OF THE COMMUNITY:

- READINESS ON THE PART OF THE NINE TO DEVELOP CO-OPERATION
TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH RELATIONS ARE DESIRED BY AFRICAN
STATES, AND THE REJECTION OF ANY FORM OF ACTION BY ANY STATE
AIMED AT THE CREATION OF A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE IN AFRICA,

- RESPECT FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF ALL AFRICAN STATES AND
THE SOVEREIGN RIGHT OF THESE STATES TO DEFINE THEIR
NATIONAL POLICY WITHOUT FOREIGN INTERFERENCE,

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- SUPPORT FOR OAU MEASURES TO PROMOTE AFRICAN CO-OPERATION,

- THE RIGHT OF THE RHODESIAN AND NAMIBIAN PEOPLES TO SELF-
DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE,

- CONDEMNATION OF THE APARTHEID POLICY OF SOUTH AFRICA.
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